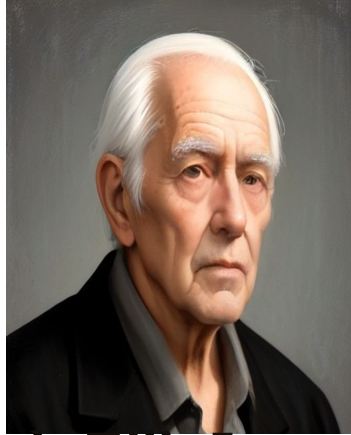




## Wade Ellis Lampkin

*August 16, 1939 - August 24, 2026*

Medford, Oregon

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Wade Ellis Lampkin died in Medford on August 24, 2026. He was 87. Born on August 16, 1939, into a Southern household that treated work as a language. He learned early that a day is something you finish, not something you wait for.

He marked boards with chalk that meant money. A stick in his pocket decided grades; fairness kept the mill from arguing with itself. Colleagues still mention a chalk stick for marking boards.

He married Carol in 1961. They kept a house that stayed modest when the neighborhood did not. They raised a son and a daughter through public schools and ordinary weather. After Carol died in 2019, he kept the routines that still made sense: the walk, the garden, the Sunday call.

Neighbors remember quiet help with a stuck mailbox or a heavy trash can. He liked early mornings before the heat or the noise. He died in Medford, among streets he never needed to explain. The key is still under the same brick.

### Services

A memorial gathering in Medford with coffee afterward. In lieu of flowers, a gift to a local workers' fund, clinic, or neighborhood library is welcome.

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